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SUBJECT: OCAM FONMINS CONFERENCE ENDS -- OCAMTEL IV

1. OCAM FONMINS MEETING (ATTENDED BY ALL BUT FONMINS OF MADAGASCAR,
GABON, CONGO AND CAR) CLOSED EARLY APRIL 30 WITH LIGHTNING PUBLIC
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SESSION IN WHICH UNSPECIFIED RECOMMENDATIONS PREPARED BY VARIOUS

COMMISSIONS (ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY COMMITTEE TOILED UNTIL 4:00 A. M.) REFERRED BY ACCLAMATION TO COMING SUMMIT, ALONG WITH PROPOSED BUDGET NEXT FINANCIAL YEAR OF 492,5 50,000 CFA. IN CONCLUDING REMARKS, CONFERENCE CHAIRMAN DUVAL (MAURITIUS) BRIEFLY SUMMARIZED RECOMMENDATIONS MADE AND CALLED FOR AFRICAN SOLIDARITY.

2. DESPITE SUPERFICIAL AIR BONHOMIE WHICH CHARACTERIZED PUBLIC SESSIONS, CONSIDERABLE UNCERTAINTY RE ORGANIZATION' S WORTH AND FUTURE EVIDENT BELOW SURFACE. IN APRIL 26 ADDRESS TO DELEGATES SEC GEN FALILOU KANE REFERRED THIS UNEASE, STATING CONTINUATION STATUS QUO IN ORGANIZATIONCOULD LEAD TO STAGNATION. URGED MEMBER STATES CONSIDER REORIENTATION OF OCAM GOALS TO MEET COMMON EXPECTATIONS. (THIS STATEMENT HEADLINED LOCAL PRESS WHICH OTHERWISE FOUND LITTLE REPORT IN CLOSED- DOOR COMMITTEE ACTIVITY.)

3. APPEARS, HOWEVER, DIFFERENCES DID DEVELOP WITHIN POLITICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE RE WHETHER OCAM SHOULD RESTRUCTURE PARTIALLY BUT WITHIN EXISTING FRAMEWORK, OR LOOK TO MORE BASIC REORGANIZATION AND CHANGE OF DIRECTION. MAURITIAN FONMIN DUVAL LENT SUPPORT HOST GOVERNMENT TO LATTER APPROACH BY CALLING IN PRESS INTERVIEW FOR AN OCAM MOVE TOWARD ENGLISH- SPEAKING COUNTRIES OF AFRICA AND LOOSENING OF PAROCHIAL OCAM TIES BASED ON LANGUAGE, SIMILAR COLONAL ATTACHMENTS, OR SENTIMENT.

4. FUTURE OCAM ROLE THUS LIKELY RECEIVE ATTENTION OF OCAM CHIEFS OF STATE MAY 3-6. THREE OF FOUR COMMITTEES FORMED BY FONMIN DELEGATIONS (OCAMTEL III) COMPLETED THEIR WORK PRIOR SUNDAY BREAK, AND DELAY ON PAGT ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE SUGGESTS POLICY ISSUE CITED PARA 3 PROBABLY LED TO EXTENDED HAGGLING OVER 1973 BUDGET. MEANWHILE, GABON AND IVORY COAST HAVE REPORTEDLY AGREED ADVANCE PORTIONS THEIR 1973 CONTRIBUTIONS, WHILE SECGEN KANE HAS LAMENTED TO PRESS THAT RESPECT FOR MEMBERS' FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS IS " NUMBER ONE PROBLEM" OF OCAM.

4. HAS BEEN ANNOUNCED THAT GOM HAS DECIDED ADHERE TO OCAM SUGAR ACCORD, PROVIDING FOR SUGAR COMMERCE AMONG OCAM STATES, WHICH WILL BE SUBMITTED CHIEFS OF STATE FOR APPROVAL. THIS WILL PLACE MAURITIUS IN COMPANY WITH MADAGASCAR AND, THEORETICALLY, CONGO, AMONG OCAM PRODUCER COUNTRIES UNDER TERMS THIS AGREEMENT. NOT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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KNOWN, HOWEVER, WHETHER CONGO WILL CONTINUE MAINTAIN MEMBERSHIP IN SPECIALIZED OCAM ORGANISMS -- OF WHICH SUGAR ACCORD IS ONE. QUESTION WHETHER STATE MAY PARTICIPATE IN SUBSIDIARY BODIES WITHOUT BEING FULL OCAM MEMBER LIKELY BE ANOTHER SUMMIT TOPIC.

5. REFERRING ENLARGEMENT EEC, AND YAOUNDE CONVENTION RENEWAL,
KANE

RECALLED THAT OCAM CHIEFS OF STATE FAVORABLE IN PRINCIPLE TO NEW
CONVENTION OF ASSOCIATION. STRATEGY REMAINS TO BE DEFINED,
HOWEVER, OF BEST MEANS PUTTING THIS PRINCIPLE INTO PRACTICE.

6. AS OF THIS TIME, APPEARS THAT ONLY CHIEFS OF STATE OF FOLLOWING
OCAM COUNTRIES WILL ATTEND SUMMIT MEETING: TOGO, NIGER, CAR, GABON,
SENEGAL, MAURITIUS.

7. COMMENT: EXCEPT FOR BUDGETARY HASSLE, CONFERENCE SEEMS
LARGELY

HAVE AGREED REFER NUMBER VAGUELY WORDED RECOMMENDATIONS TO
SUMMIT.

SUCH AVOIDENCE HARD ISSUES NOT UNKNOWN IN OCAM HISTORY WHERE, FOR
EXAMPLE, CURRENT SUGAR AGREEMENT WHICH MAY BE SIGNED HERE WAS
INITIALLY PROPOSED IN TANANARIVE IN 1966. SUCH INCADESCENT
ACTIVITY, PLUS EVIDENT LACT INTERST CHIEFS OF STATE AND LIKELY
EVOLUTATION PAN- ARICANAISM, SUGGESTS SIGNIFICANT RUTURE ROLE MORE
NARROWLY BASED REGIONAL GROUPINGS MAY BE LIMITED. WHE
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